

## HARVEY DEFENDED BY LODGE AND REED

New Envoy to Britain Lauded in Answer to Attacks of Senate Critics.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., April 21.

Long smouldering Democratic opposition to the appointment as Ambassador to Great Britain of Col. George Harvey, recently confirmed by the Senate, was voiced in that body today by Senator Harrison (Mass.), his remarks, filled with personal and political reflections upon Col. Harvey, were characterized by Senator Reed (Mo.), Democrat, as having been "lighted at the fires of venom," and were severely censured by Senator Lodge (Mass.), Republican floor leader, as "an unfortunate and unprecedented attack upon one of the highest officials of the Government" and a "violation of the rules of the Senate" regarding secrecy as to appointments confirmed in executive sessions of the Senate.

Senator Reed praised Col. Harvey as "one of the great intellects of the country," and declared President Harding, in view of his announced stand, would have practised "deceit" had he appointed a pro-league as Ambassador. Referring to Col. Harvey's opposition to the league, he inquired, amid laughter from the Republican side:

"Why shouldn't he be against it? Why should any one but an idiot go around hugging a corpse to his bosom? If the forty-six nations, members of the league, cannot stand up unless the United States puts its arms around them and totes them home like a drunk at 2 o'clock in the morning, then it doesn't deserve to stand up."

Nearly the entire day was given up to the matter. Senator Morris (Neb.) emphasized some of the criticism made by Senator Harrison. Senator Ashurst (Ariz.) read correspondence which passed between Col. Harvey and President Wilson at the time their break occurred, and Senator Heflin (Ala.), Democrat, eulogized the character of President Wilson, attacking former Secretary of State Lansing, whom he accused of having "betrayed the President in the hour of his greatest need."

Senator Harrison explained that he felt he had a right to give his reasons for voting against the confirmation of Col. Harvey since by action of the Senate the vote had been made public.

He characterized the Colonel as "a past master in fomenting trouble," a "creator of prejudice and strife," and a "vindictive, self-appointed, intolerant political accident," who "was true to any purpose, loyal to any friend, or steadfast to any conviction; wedded to no principle, and bound to no conscience."

Reviewing the differences between Col. Harvey and President Wilson, Mr. Harrison read many extracts from *Harvey's Weekly* in criticism of Mr. Wilson, which, he said, were comparable only to "Milton's hellhounds stationed at the gates of the infernal regions." He said that the weekly also tried to draw the fire of indignation and condemnation on the wife of the President.

He read excerpts of criticisms in Mr. Harvey's paper against Roosevelt and Taft and dwelt upon a cartoon circulated in the last election that caused much unfavorable comment among those of the Catholic faith, asserting that Col. Harvey was responsible for it and that other Republican leaders could not escape blame for it.

### WALDO WANTS TO RULE OVER THE PHILIPPINES

Local Republicans Not Supporting His Candidacy.

Rhineland Waldo, Police Commissioner under Mayor Gaynor, is an active candidate for the post of Governor-General of the Philippines. It is needless to say the Republican organization here, which has heard of Mr. Waldo's active campaign for the appointment, is not giving him any backing. He is a Democrat. In the Presidential campaign he was president of the Harding Democratic League.

For nearly five years Mr. Waldo served in the army in the Philippines. He was a Lieutenant and a Captain of Philippine Scouts. For a time he was on Gen. Wood's staff. Of an old New York family, Mr. Waldo, soon after his graduation from Columbia University, served in the Spanish war with the Twelfth Regiment of Volunteers.

## GERMAN ASKS TO PAINT PORTRAIT OF PERSHING

Admires the Man He Fought Against.

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The Knights of Columbus, who are to present to the French Government a portrait of Gen. John J. Pershing, received a letter yesterday from Gustave Klammerich, a non-commissioned officer of the German army, who said he was a good portrait painter and would appreciate the opportunity to paint the Pershing picture. Klammerich stated that he had fought with the Bavarian infantry against the First Division, A. E. F.

"I desire to paint the portrait of Gen. Pershing," he wrote, "and assure you of a good job, as I have admiration for the soldiers of America and their commander." William J. McGinley, supreme secretary of the order, said the portrait was going to be made by an American artist.

### PERSHING CHIEF OF U. S. HEADQUARTERS

General's Duty Will Be to Make Forces Ready for War at Any Time.

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Gen. Pershing has been assigned to a task in keeping with the great reputation he has attained. He will be made Chief of the General Headquarters of the Army and would have charge of America's first line of defense in time of war.

Announcement of the selection was accompanied by an amount of reserve which indicates the importance attached to the assignment. The formal statement of the War Department read:

"The Secretary of War stated today that he proposed to inaugurate in time of peace a skeletonized General Headquarters, the purpose of this plan being to be instantly prepared for active military operations in time of war. The details of the organization will be given out later. However, Gen. Pershing will be the head of the skeletonized General Headquarters, such as it may be."

The Secretary of War added concerning the army: "It will be ready in time of peace to act in time of war." It was further added that the general scheme of the transformation of this nucleus of a war machine had not been arranged and was difficult to work out because of the wording of the law under which the new organization is to be perfected.

Significance attaches to the new organization because of the increasing tenseness of the foreign relations of the United States. It is apparent that it is to be the policy of the Administration that while holding out the olive branch to the world it will carry a big stick. It is understood that on Gen. Pershing will devolve the task of working out details, a task involving all the talent for organization that he exhibited in France.

The relationship between the new office headed by Gen. Pershing and the office of the General Staff is not clearly outlined, although Secretary of War Weeks explained that the Chief of Staff "will continue to direct the administration of the military establishment in time of peace."

Secretary Weeks refused to comment on persistent reports that Gen. J. G. Harbord would be made Chief of staff in place of Gen. Peyton C. March.

Gen. Pershing, among other things, will organize the training systems of the country and work out every detail of a plan by which the United States could be placed on a war basis overnight.

### TO DROP LANDIS CHARGES.

House Will Take No Further Action in Impeachment.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Impeachment charges against Federal Judge Landis of Chicago growing out of his acceptance of the post of supreme arbiter of organized baseball will be dropped in the House unless new charges are made on the floor, Representative Dyer, Republican, chairman of the subcommittee in charge of the matter, announced today.

The charges were filed by Representative Welby, Democrat, Ohio, at the last session and passed on to the present Congress by the Judiciary subcommittee to which they were referred.

"The Landis matter will be dropped, without further impeachment charges in the House," Representative Dyer said. "Landis is no longer a member of the House, and Mr. Dyer said nothing could be done by his committee in the absence of new specific complaint."

## DISARMAMENT TO BE URGED IN CONGRESS

President Authorized to Call a Conference With Principal Powers.

Special Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.

New York Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., April 21.

The question of international disarmament will be taken up for consideration by the House Foreign Affairs Committee at once, it was decided today at a meeting of the Republican members.

Informal assurances have been received that this action will not be considered as an intrusion into any plan of President Harding or the State Department for accomplishing a reduction of armaments. It is planned to ask the Secretaries of State, War, Navy and Commerce to appear before the committee on successive days. Other prominent men will be asked to give their views.

The plan which probably will be used as the basis for any disarmament programme in the House is the resolution of Representative Rogers (Mass.). The hearings will be directed to this resolution.

The main feature of Mr. Rogers' resolution is that which provides for a continuance of the naval building programme until one for a reduction of armaments is agreed to by the principal nations of the world. The resolution authorizes the President in his discretion to call a conference on disarmament and makes an appropriation of \$100,000 for the expense of such a meeting.

The provision for a continuance of naval construction until an agreement is reached is known as the "view" of President Harding, Secretary Denby and other officials. This section of the resolution reads:

"Until a programme for the reduction of armaments is agreed to by the principal nations of the world, including the United States, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the Congress that the United States should have a navy second to none."

It then continues: "With a view to securing such an international agreement for the reduction of armaments, both military and naval, the Congress expresses its earnest hope that the President will at the earliest practicable moment invite the governments of Great Britain, France, Japan, Italy and of such other nations as he shall deem proper to send delegates to an international conference on disarmament to be held in the District of Columbia, and the President is hereby authorized to fix the number of delegates from each nation and with the advice and consent of the Senate to appoint the appropriate number of delegates to represent the United States."

Mr. Rogers will confer with the Secretary regarding his resolution. He explained that he is not presenting his resolution in any pacifist mood.

### DEATH LAID TO ELLIS ISLAND.

Inquiry Into Conditions Urged in Letter Before House.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Investigation by the House Immigration Committee of conditions at Ellis Island was urged in the House today by Representative Dowell, Republican, Iowa. He read a letter from Gov. Kendall of Iowa, recommending a rigid inquiry and declaring he was convinced the situation at the immigration station was deplorable.

The Governor charged that Mrs. Lucia Leo, wife of Frank Leo, Des Moines, died as a result of exposure and neglect to which she was subjected on her arrival from Europe with her young child.

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